

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated November 29, 2004. Claims 1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 15 and 19 are in the application, of which Claim 1 is still the only independent claim. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the Examiner's indication that Claim 20 contains allowable subject matter. Based on that indication, Claim 20 has been cancelled and the substance thereof incorporated into independent Claim 1, together with the recitation that the vertical shift is up to 0.1 mm.

The Office Action entered a rejection of all other claims for obviousness-type double patenting over the issued claims of parent U.S. Patent 6,677,972 (Kimura '972). The foregoing actions have been taken without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, and without conceding the correctness of this rejection in an effort to advance this application to issuance.

No other matters being raised, it is respectfully submitted that the entire application is fully in condition for allowance, and such action is courteously solicited.

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